

## Hylan's Transit Plans Favored In Brooklyn

Representatives of Civic and Political Organizations Discuss Mayor's \$600,000,000 Program

## Ask Crosstown Subways

Assail Cropsey and Callaghan for Hindering Bus Lines by Injunction

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment met yesterday for a public discussion of Mayor Hylan's \$600,000,000 transit program, with special reference to the Borough of Brooklyn. Representatives from numerous civic and political organizations attended and generally expressed themselves in favor of the Mayor's plan.

It was whispered about, in explanation, that the board members had taken a lesson from their previous hearing when some pointed criticism was leveled at the Mayor's plan, so that it appeared that only those who were prepared to endorse the Hylan plan were invited to the hearing. There was, however, an adverse note here and there from a few, who thought that something should be done to remedy the transit situation at once.

Assail Cropsey and Callaghan

A large portion of the discussion was taken up with a series of attacks upon interference with transit affairs by injunction, the salient for the most part being aimed at Justice Cropsey and Justice Callaghan for their orders restraining the operation of busses in certain sections of Brooklyn.

"I hope the citizens of Brooklyn will remember these gentlemen," remarked the Mayor, liberally prompting the discussion on this point, "who issued the injunctions, so that if they ever run again for office the people will know how to deal with them." At another point the Mayor said:

"When judges in the future are nominated we will have to find out how they stand on injunctions."

Wants Vote of People

F. Cornelius Wanamaker, representing the Flatbush Taxpayers' Association, while in favor of the Mayor's plan, said he thought the question of municipal operation of the subway lines should be put to a vote of the people. To this Murray Hulbert, president of the Board of Aldermen, replied: "Don't you think the people voted on it last November?" Mr. Wanamaker said it was not a direct vote.

Thomas A. McQuade, of the 15th Assembly District Democratic Club, brought up the subject of the lack of bus lines in Greenpoint, reminding the board that the busses had been put out of business there by injunction of Justice Callaghan.

"Oh," replied Mr. McQuade, "Cropsey issued the first, taking away some kind of transportation, backed by Judge Callaghan. Both gentlemen are members of the same club."

Alderman Peter McGuinness then took the floor, lauding the Mayor in superlative terms, and concluding with his tribute to the Greenpoint district, which he represents: "Greenpoint, Mr. Mayor and members of the Board of Estimate, is the garden spot of heaven."

## Get a Job You Like and Stick, Says Railroad Veteran of 73

Station Master Kane, of Mamaroneck, 53 Years in the Business, Wishes He Had 53 More Coming; Misses Car of Beer He Helped Load Now and Then

"Tis my vocation, Hal. 'Tis no sin for a man to labor in his vocation." J. C. Kane, seventy-three years old, ticket agent of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad at Mamaroneck, who yesterday finished his fifty-third year of consecutive service with a scornful rejection of the road's offer to retire him, never read Henry IV, but he is going to, just to read the speech to Hal.

"Railroading is the grandest of games, and it's the glamor of the thing that holds you and won't let you go," he said last night as he rocked in the parlor of the cozy home at 12 Palmer Street which he and his wife saved for and of which they are so proud.

"It's fifty-three years I've been a railroad man, and it's fifty-three more I'd like to be," he went on. "I've sent four of my boys through college, and the pay check looks pretty good when you go up to the pay car each week. But it isn't that. If it was only the money I'd have retired two years ago, when they almost threw me out. They asked me if I wanted to work forever and I told them I wouldn't mind."

The steady rock of the chair stopped while Stationmaster Kane—the title that pleases him most—chuckled at the absurd thought of any one thinking a

railroad man wanted to retire. Then he reminisced a bit:

"We used to load a car for the New Rochelle branch and the owner would come out and give us a couple of barrels if we'd promise not to touch them till we were off duty. Maybe you think that he didn't taste good after we'd been looking longingly at it all the way up here. Nothing like that now."

The roundhouse was down at Forty-second Street then. They've built three Grand Central terminals while I've been with the road.

"When I'd been working ten years Frank Trumbull was starting in as an auditor or something like that. He'd been water boy for a section gang in Texas. He's chairman of the board of the Chesapeake & Ohio now, the road he started for."

"About that time Daniel Willard was a track laborer and F. D. Underwood was a conductor. Willard is president of the Baltimore & Ohio and Underwood of the Erie. Some of them think of quitting. I guess maybe there's something in it that gets in your blood. My baggage man, Mortimer Gebner, has been with me twenty-nine years. Course, he's only a boy, but he has the right idea. Find something you like and then plug at it and you'll be happy."

The chair stopped rocking, the briar pipe went out and Stationmaster Kane was back with the boys, watching that barrel of beer that couldn't be opened until the run was over.

## Million-Dollar Fraud Charged; Three Seized

Accused of Selling Client's Stock for Double Market Value, Holding Out a Big Share of Proceeds

## Thirteen Others Sought

Craiger System Said to Act as Agent in Unloading Treasury Shares of Companies

The use of the mails in what Federal prosecutors term "one of the most stupendous stock swindles uncarried in years" was revealed yesterday when two postoffice inspectors ended a long investigation of the methods and affairs of the Craiger System, Inc., with a raid on its extensive offices at 140 West Forty-second Street. Two arrested yesterday, and a third man was taken into custody at the Craiger System, Inc., offices, which were raided at once on the New York Stock Exchange. No such concern exists here, it is alleged.

Joseph E. Doorn, the third man arrested yesterday, is alleged by Mr. McCoy to have been employed solely to run down companies in such need of financing that they would fall in with the Craiger scheme, which called for the placing of one of the system's employees in the concern's offices and the co-operation of the officers in floating the stock. The Altoona Glass Casket Company is the first of the companies which retained the sales corporation, but no charge is made that it was a part to the alleged conspiracy.

Benjamin Craiger, of 710 Riverside Drive, and his father, Henry Craiger, who lives in West 160th Street, are alleged to have been the ringleaders in the fraud. They were the two men arrested in the raid yesterday. The others for whom warrants have been issued are said to have played minor parts.

Postoffice Inspector Noile investigated the case with Inspector Thomas Fitch. The Associated Advertising Clubs of the World made a survey of its own into the Craiger scheme, which was made public immediately after the arrests.

Disposing of the unsold treasury stock of concerns in need of immediate cash was the Craiger specialty, and evidence in the hands of the government indicates that its directors succeeded in obtaining a price for the shares in many cases more than double the market value of the old issues when they volunteered the services of their selling system.

Only one concern is mentioned in the complaint filed by Postoffice Inspector Noile as having retained the Craiger System to relieve its financial embarrassment, but the plaintiff alleged that the stock of many others figured in the fraud. Mr. McCoy pointed out that the market value of the shares sold to the amounts the defendants are said to have made from each venture were hardly large enough to arouse suspicion, and as soon as a quick return had been made on one proposition the sales corporation was able to turn to a new one without gleaming after the harvest.

Another advantage enjoyed by the Craiger System in its alleged frauds lay in the fact that a new "sucker list"

was furnished them free of charge when they undertook any financing. The stockholders of record were the only parties approached, and they were the more easily deceived, it is alleged, because the sales letters were sent out to them on the company's letterheads stating that the shares were being offered to them exclusively in order to let them in on the new prosperity expected by the directors of the concern. The letters stated that a representative would call personally within a few days to explain the advantages of the proposition the company was making, and with this introduction to the concern of the alleged intended victims it is said to have been easy for the system to put across its scheme.

One false statement mentioned in the complaint as having been made by the defendants to induce prospective investors to take stock of their hands was to the effect that A. B. Heim & Co. was prepared to market its new investment at once on the New York Stock Exchange. No such concern exists here, it is alleged.

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## Borah Threatens to Subpoena Bakhmeteff if He Returns

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—Word from abroad that Boris Bakhmeteff, former Russian Ambassador, was planning to sail to-morrow for America, was followed by a statement to-day by Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, that he would call Mr. Bakhmeteff before the Senate Labor Committee if he should come within the jurisdiction of a committee subpoena.

Before leaving the United States Mr. Bakhmeteff claimed "diplomatic immunity" when subpoenaed and was supported by Secretary Hughes, Senator Borah said there was "much information" he still desired to obtain from the former Russian Envoy, particularly regarding the disposition of American loans made to Russia and taken over by Mr. Bakhmeteff.

## Big Interests Want Alien Bars Let Down

Immigration Restriction Is Fought by Large Employers; See Need of Workers With Returning Prosperity

From The Tribune's Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—Just when Chairman Johnson of the House Immigration Committee is announcing a plan to reduce immigration to a much lower figure than now, a strong movement has started to relax the immigration laws and increase the number of admissible aliens instead of decreasing them.

Big steel companies, big copper mining and smelting interests and other great employers of labor are back of this movement. It promises to become powerful, and indications are there will be a sharp clash between the promoters of a liberalized policy of admitting aliens and those who would restrict the influx.

Recently it was indicated that Chairman Johnson would seek to get the 3 per cent limit cut much lower, even to one-half of 1 per cent. Mr. Johnson declared the country seemed to want complete restriction of immigration. It is already apparent there will be great difficulty in driving any such program through Congress.

Shortage of men competent and willing to do the ordinary manual labor of the mills, the furnaces and the mines is what is alarming the great employers of unskilled labor. It is

true that a large immigration is still coming into the country, but their representatives say a great part of it is unwilling to do the hard work of the steel plants, the copper mines and smelters, the track work of the railroads and the like.

Nat long ago the country was astonished when the United States Steel Corporation suddenly raised wages of employees a large sum in the aggregate. Much speculation was caused by this action. It developed, however, that the corporation saw a return of prosperity not far distant and then found that in order to avail itself of this it would have to put on more men and keep the old men. It discovered that the shutting down of immigration had tended strongly to reduce the supply of men available to do the hard work of the steel manufacturing industry. Partly this is due to the fact that immigration is low from the countries where there are the best workers and that of the total immigration a large share drifts naturally into city life. A great deal of talk is current to the effect that a wave of prosperity is just around the corner. If that is the case big employers are wondering where they are going to get their supply of what is generally called common labor. If the immigration laws are tightened up still more than they are, from the viewpoint of the big employers, the situation will become impossible.

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## Treason Charge Against Von Hoegen Is Dropped

Lawyer Was Indicted After He Had Boasted of Being a German Spy

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 26.—The case against Maximilian von Hoegen, formerly New Haven attorney, who was arrested in December 1917, on a charge of treason, was nolle in the United States District Court here to-day on the recommendation of Assistant United States Attorney Cohen by Judge Edwin S. Thomas. Von Hoegen

## Fire Record

TIME	LOCATION	DAMAGE
2:00—644 W. 28th st.; Julius Schmidt	Unknown	
2:46—384 6th av.; A. Nicholas	Unknown	
10:15—67 W. 135th st.; Mrs. Leslie	Unknown	
10:50—At 45 W. 12th st. auto; John Crawford	Unknown	
11:40—Westchester and Blondell avs.; the Bronx	Unknown	
P. M.		
2:15—56th st. and Amsterdam av.; New York Telephone Co.	Trifling	
2:30—290 E. 3d st.; unknown	Unknown	
2:40—240 W. 95th st.; Daniel Croner	Slight	
2:46—142d st. and Southern Blvd.; the Bronx	Unknown	
3:00—350 E. 84th st.; Isaac Frank	None	
3:10—328-329 W. 56th st.; unknown	Slight	
3:46—144th st. and Canal place; the Bronx	Unknown	
6:06—200 Allen st.; unknown	Unknown	
6:45—915 Hoe av.; the Bronx; Philip Agrichouky	Trifling	
6:59—388 W. 150th st.; Nathan Debris	Unknown	
6:05—366 W. 31st st.; John Jones	Unknown	
6:45—Cathedral Parkway, taxicab; Raymond Sonetto	Unknown	
7:50—4063 3d av.; the Bronx; L. J. Novelty Co.	\$1,000	
7:55—Madison st.; basement; unknown	Quale Pedesco	
9:05—Southeast corner 46th st. and 1st av.; Wilson & Co.	Unknown	
9:30—545 5th st. awning; Tony Egleshi	Unknown	

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